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Shipping.
 Daylight.—*Verona* leaves for Japan.
 11 a.m.—*Patroclus* leaves for London.
 Noon.—*Haitan* leaves for Coast Ports.
Meeting.
 8.30 p.m.—Meeting of British Mercantile Marine Officers' Association at Marine Hotel, Praya West.
Miscellaneous.
 Goods per Steamer *Edwinton* unclaimed for Noon subject to rent.
 Cricket Match.



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THE decision given to-day by Mr Wise,

case of the Sanitary Board versus Chan-
manberg, by which the defendant is fined
five dollars for failing to take out a license
as a keeper of cattle, possesses a wife
importance than may at first appear. Chan-
manberg is the holder of a Crown lease
farm lot at Wong-wei-cheong, and under
this lease, which he has held for twenty-

ears, he is authorised to keep cattle. The defendant has the right, under his Crown lease, to send out his cattle to browse

the waste lands surrounding his farm lot which right or privilege, we presume, may be taken to be a corroboration of the right to keep cattle on his lot. The

with power—so says the Sanitary Superintendent—to impose licensing regulations for the proper supervision of dairies and cat-

So that the interesting question raised by the defendant's counsel whether the later powers conferred upon the military authority justified that authority

interfering with the rights conveyed in a lease. Of course the real question to be settled was, how far the license was forced upon the defendant did it interfere with his vested rights.

the phase of the case does not appear to have been alluded to. Practically the licence to keep cattle is contained in the lease; what, therefore, is the object

compelling another licence to be taken? Presumably because the Sanitary Authority was of opinion that this licence gave him the power to supervise and regulate the cattle-keeping. But we are

declined to think that the mode in which the defendant kept his cattle would fairly come within the scope of the Sanitary Board, and that therefore the compulsion placed upon the defendant to take his cattle to the pound was not a reasonable one.

was unnecessary and unjust. In this view of the case, there was no necessity to call in question the rights conveyed by the Crown, and it would have been sufficient to

Sanitary authority to have exercised his undoubted rights invested in him for protecting the public health. It must be said, however, that the Crown has no right to be a party to the proceedings.

although the defendant's counsel argued that a farm lease covered all the branches, the industry generally included in cattle-keeping. As the case was a test case,

... was unfortunate that the matter was not more fully argued out; but the consideration which at present will suggest itself to most readers in the readiness with



At a meeting of the British Mercantile Marine Officers' Association last night, a letter was read from the Liverpool Mercantile Marine Service Association congratulating the local Association on formation.

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The Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play the following Programme at the Black Square to-morrow evening, commencing at 7.30 p.m. :—

March	—	To be There	.....	Hartman
Lancers	—	The Old Guard	.....	Grook
Polers	—	Sandiego	.....	Corban
Polers	—	Drink poppy Drink	D. Albert	
Quadrille	—	Letter	.....	Sawert
Galon	—	Poler	.....	Mewin

THERE are eighteen aspirants for the vacant position in the Lawn Tennis A Class of the Hongkong Cricket Club. The eight players have been divided into three Sections and the winner of each Section retains a vacancy. The following are the players:—D. B. Mackintosh, L. J. B.

A.A.; Dr. Lawson; W. J. Gresson; Humphreys; E. G. Young, A.E.; E. E. Kiel; W. V. Anderson; J. M. Bacon; Capt. Barker; G. P. Lammert; J. Ezekiél; F. Clarke; J. Hastings; J. M. Machado; E. W. Maitland; W. Newton

A MEETING of the Sanitary Board will be held to-morrow at 4.15 p.m. The following are the Orders of the Day:—

1. Sanitary Rules made under Ordinance of 1883.
2. Procedure as to the abatement of nuisances.
3. Amendment of Health Ordinance.

Agenda:—Letters having reference to

A contravention of section 74 of Health Ordinance; Drainage of a terrace houses—at Kaulung Point. Report having reference to:—The condition of house drains on Inland Lots 381, 382 and 698. (38 to 80, Queen Road West, and 237, 239, Hollywood Road) and also 1 to 10 Lyndhurst Terrace); The bye-laws governing the disinfection of infected premises.

The three pirates whose rendition has been applied for by the Chinese authorities were brought before Chief Justice Sir James Russell to-day, at an adjourned sitting of the Criminal Sessions, on the charge

piracy. The Acting Attorney General (Hon. E. J. Ackroyd), said the two prisoners had practically admitted having participated in a piracy, but the first prisoner said it was within Chinese waters and that the Hongkong authorities had nothing to do with it. When they were

brought before the Supreme Court on the charge upon which they were committed. He (the Attorney General) caused further evidence to be taken on that point, and was now satisfied that the piracy was committed in Chinese waters and altogether outside the jurisdiction of the colony. In these circumstances he asked to be allowed

to enter a *nolle prosequi*. His Lordship agreed, and prisoners were discharged, only to be arrested immediately on leaving the precincts of the Court, under an *arrest* tradition warrant.

disagreeable way, and the European residents have still as had an opinion as even of the celestial methods of horticulture. That the practice of fertilizing their ground with liquid manure should still prevail among the gardeners, in the vicinity of European houses is, due no doubt in great measure to the fact that the

great pleasure to the fact that the
 sidents do not insist on their right
 have it stopped. It is true that wh
 the right has been exercised it h
 seldom if ever been so strongly back
 up by the Magistrates as it ought
 have been, and it is hardly to
 wondered at if this had a discoura

Convictions have only been obtained with great difficulty, and the penalty which is usually followed has been ridiculously small. Only the other day a gardener, who was found in the act of refreshing his cabbage with liquid manure, was brought before the Police Magistrate and charged with the

Since, Mr. H. E. Deason, who was the particular resident unopposed in this case, and who made the charge, gave the clear evidence of having seen the off nce committed. His statement was supported every particular by that of a police constable. There was nothing to contradict this.

offender was discharged. With most people the failure to secure a conviction in such a case as this would have probably resulted in a determination to remove from the vicinity of the Chinese gardener, or to put up with him and his ways rather than adopt the role of a complainant in the

Police Court again. Apparently Mr. De-
son was not so easily discouraged. He
made another attempt to check the smog
nuisance and was this time successful. The
case came before Mr. Wise, who, unlike his
predecessor, Mr. Robinson, seemed to think
the offense was one in regard to which
an eye-witness was hardly likely to be mis-

taken, particularly as he would be at the same time what might be called a nose-business. We hope the fine of \$15 which his Worship imposed, with the alternative of month's imprisonment, will have a star effect, and that in future the fresh breeze of Kowloon will at least be perceptibly lulled.

The number of newspapers published in countries is estimated at 41,000, 24,000 appearing in Europe. Of 300 journals published in Asia Japan alone has 500.

A soils, - light brown, & overcast, g. 700 ft. shower
9 quarry, r. soil, onion, p. l. under, c. visible
a few wet.
Barn, - 1st floor, leather one bun dried.

